

DEMONSTRATION OF THE

Redfern Whalebone CORSETS



This is Corset week at Miller & Rhoads. Madam Hale, the noted corsetiere, of whom many Richmond women have already met, will demonstrate the popular Redfern Corset here this week, to which all our friends and patrons are welcomed. As Madam Hale comes direct from the manufacturer equipped with the authentic fashion news of the metropolis, we predict this will be a most interesting occasion to our customers, and we want all women to see and talk with Madam Hale while she is here. A full and complete line of these exquisite models will be shown here during Corset Week. Prices range from \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 to \$10.00.

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EXTENDS TIME ON MANY OLD HOUSES WHARF BIDS ARE CONDEMNED

Committee Will Seek New Competition From Contracting Firms.

At a meeting of the Committee on Improvement of the James River last night, City Engineer Bolling reported that he had a number of letters from contractors protesting that the time was too short in which to make bids on the proposed concrete wharf and bulkhead which the city plans to erect on James River. Mr. Bolling said that no time would be lost in extending the period, since little or no concrete work could be done in the river until spring. The committee decided to return the five bids in the box unopened and to invite bids to be opened on the afternoon of December 2 for a reinforced concrete wharf. The Finance Committee appropriated \$19,000 to build a wharf, the plan then being for pile construction, although City Engineer Bolling advised the committee that the proposed timber wharf, bulkhead, and sheds would probably cost \$30,000. Since then the Council has instructed the committee to ask bids on a concrete wharf, and it is expected that the appropriation will be largely supplemented in the budget for next year.

The committee recommended that the pay of the captain of the city tug Thomas Cunningham be increased from \$100 to \$125, he having held the position for sixteen years without asking an increase in pay. A request from the Richmond Yacht Club that the city dredge the mouth of Falling Creek in front of the club house was referred to Captain Cunningham for an estimate of the amount of work needed, and to the City Attorney to find whether the city could lend its machinery for such a purpose.

WILL CALL FOR BIDS

Superintendent Knowles Laying Plans for Servicing South Richmond. The Council Committee on Light last night requested the City Engineer to include in the specifications for the new reinforced concrete bridge, which it is proposed to erect at or near the present site of Mayo's Bridge, a place for a twenty-inch gas main for supplying South Richmond. The Water Department has already asked space for a twenty-inch main, and it is expected that ample conduit space will be provided both for city electric light and police and fire alarm wires, and also for rent to power and telephone companies. Superintendent Knowles believes that the Southside could be well served on Dock Street between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets, though it may be found desirable with the growth of the business to erect a high level gas holder on the Southside. As gas is sold to consumers at a profit, he argues that the sooner the city makes provision for mains in South Richmond the better.

W.L. DOUGLAS \$3.50 & \$4.00 SHOES

I have been wearing shoes for the last seven years and I consider them equal to any \$5.00 or \$7.00 shoe on the market.

W. L. Douglas, D.D.S., 936 Main St., Kansas City, Mo.

W. L. Douglas \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes are positively the best made and most popular shoes for the price in America, and are the most economical shoes for you to buy.

DO You Realize that my shoes have been the standard for over thirty years, that I make and sell more \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes than any other manufacturer in the U. S., and that DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR, I GUARANTEE MY SHOES to hold their shape, look and fit better, and wear longer than any other \$3.50 or \$4.00 shoes you can buy?

Quality counts, and quality has made my shoes what they are—THE LEADERS OF THE WORLD.

For FALL and WINTER WEAR, my immense stock includes the latest and best styles in every size and width, especially in Young Men's Lasts, and my stores also carry at all times the most complete assortment of the more substantial styles, such as have made W. L. Douglas shoes a household word everywhere.

You will be pleased when you buy my shoes because of the fit and appearance, and when it comes time for you to purchase another pair, you will be more than pleased because the last ones wore so well, and gave you so much comfort.

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CITIZENS WANT FASTER SERVICE

Ask President Northrop for 15-Minute Schedule on Westhampton Line.

SHOW TRAFFIC INCREASE

Request Answer Before Annual Meeting of Club on November 12.

In accordance with resolutions adopted at a recent meeting of representatives from the Country Club of Virginia and citizens of the Westhampton neighborhood, a committee had a conference yesterday forenoon with William Northrop, president of the Virginia Railway and Power Company, at which the question of a fifteen-minute schedule on the Westhampton line was fully discussed. The whole matter was laid before President Northrop, and the joint committee expressed the hope that he would grant the request, or at least give his answer before the annual meeting of the club on November 12.

The club itself has more than 1,400 members, many of whom make daily trips over the street railway extension. Moreover, the Westhampton section is developing rapidly, while work is shortly to begin on the greater Richmond College in that quarter. Naturally, the argument was advanced that the present half-hour service is inadequate. The delegation asked Mr. Northrop for a fifteen-minute schedule from 6 to 9 A. M., so as to accommodate citizens, and a fifteen-minute schedule from 3 to 5 P. M. with a transfer system from Main street as well as from Broad and Main Street cars.

How Travel Has Grown.

It was brought out that according to the company's own figures the Westhampton line hauled 91,424 more passengers during the last eight months of the present year than it hauled in the same period last year, despite the fact that the Country Club of Virginia was opened only two months ago. This is equivalent to an increase of 141,935 passengers in one year. The traffic has increased in the same proportion. It has become necessary to attach trailers to each car.

While no formal decision was reached by the company, President Northrop went over the matter in detail with the delegation, the meeting being marked by its frankness and good feeling. The committee was particularly anxious to secure a final answer on its fifteen-minute schedule request before the annual meeting of the club, so as to determine its future course on that occasion in the event that the company finds itself unable to change the present service.

COUNTY TO BUY DOGS

Will Purchase Bloodhounds If They Can Catch Criminals.

After repeated requests on the part of Deputy Sheriff W. W. Snyder, the Henric county board of supervisors yesterday agreed to purchase two bloodhounds if the price is reasonable and the dogs work out satisfactorily and prove to be genuine man-catchers. Mr. Snyder will at once begin to negotiate for a promising pair of pups which will be placed in the hands of a competent trainer. The need of bloodhounds has been felt in the county for several years, but up to this time the board has refused to appropriate any money for their purchase. Mr. Snyder appeared before the board yesterday and explained that every year fugitives from justice pass through the county, and escaped because of the lack of facilities for trailing them. Many a convict from the State Farm has dropped off of freight trains in the county, after having dodged the guards at the farm, and taken to the woods, free men because there were no bloodhounds to run them down.

Mr. Snyder will communicate with bloodhound dealers in various places and will report to the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Simmer Case Continued. M. J. Simmer, of Chicago, charged with wounding his wife, Mrs. Emma Simmer, was called in Police Court yesterday morning, but his case was continued to November 3.

Miss Simmer was accidentally shot by her husband in an East Main Street lodging house three weeks ago. Mr. Simmer mistaking her for a burglar. She was taken to the Memorial Hospital, where she is now much improved, and is expected soon to be entirely recovered.

MR. BAGBY QUILTS SCHOOL BOARD

Joint Session of City Council Called to Select His Successor.

John Bagby, a member of the City School Board from the First District, presented his resignation to City Clerk Ben T. August yesterday for transmission to the Council. President Robert Whitte, of the Board of Aldermen, has called a joint session of the Board of Aldermen and Common Council for next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock immediately preceding the regular meeting of the Council, for the purpose of acting on the resignation. Mr. Bagby has been regarded as a faithful and efficient member of the School Board.

Some interest attaches to the selection of his successor through the recent redistricting of the city, as in the changing of the lines of the districts, South Richmond has been included in the First District. It has seemed to be the understanding that one of the three men from that district would have to come from Washington Ward, although there is nothing in the ordinance to keep the Council from electing all three of the district representatives from Church Hill or from any one section of the district. Several possible candidates have been mentioned, both on Church Hill and on the Southside.

Marriage License. Marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the Hustings Court to William E. McIntyre and Mary J. Uhrig, of Baltimore; Peter Wunderlee, of Chesterfield county, and Maggie Otellu Crowder.

RAILROAD PARTY COMES ON YACHT

Presidents of Erie and Baltimore and Ohio Spend Night in Richmond.

AWAITING RATE DECISION

Daniel Willard Expects Great Development if Roads Win Their Contention.

Quietly and unostentatiously the good Yacht Alice plowed her way through the murky waters of the James. Just as quietly and still without ostentation she was tied up at the city wharf. It all happened yesterday afternoon as dusk was approaching, and it might be well to add that aboard the Alice were F. D. Underwood, president of the Erie Railroad; Otis Cutler, a wealthy manufacturer of New York City; George Orcutt, principal attorney of the Erie; Charles B. Roberts, manufacturer, of Baltimore; Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and H. C. Hooker, private secretary to President Underwood.

Awaiting the arrival of the party was President William H. White, of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and he had with him an automobile, or, to be accurate, he had two automobiles. It had not been advertised that the distinguished party would visit Richmond, and as the trip was purely one of pleasure, there was little reason that any undue notice should have been given. Still Richmond being of a hospitable nature would probably have prepared to take care of her guests more fittingly, had she been advised.

Just Here for Pleasure. After riding through the principal streets of the city and viewing many of the manufacturing plants, the party went to the Jefferson Hotel for dinner. President Willard, of the Baltimore and Ohio, was asked if there was any significance in the visit to Richmond. "Absolutely none," he replied. "I had never visited this section of the country and was glad of the opportunity to see it. Underwood has been here before, and he, together with the other gentlemen with me, believed that a little vacation would do us good, so here we are, and a very delightful trip we have had."

"Of course, all of us, and I include the members of the party who are not seen, are really interested in the discussion now before the Interstate Commerce Commission. I have appeared personally before the commission, and I hope that the decision of the tribunal will be favorable to the railroads. While on the surface this may seem selfish, it really isn't. If the decision favors us we will be in a position to spend thousands of dollars in improvements. New equipment will be bought, the roadbed repaired and—well, you know what it means when the railroads begin to turn their money loose. Everybody gets a good deal of it."

"What is your opinion of conditions throughout the country, and especially in the South. I have already stated 'The latter part of your question I am unable to answer for the reason that I am not familiar with conditions in the South. I have already stated that this was my first visit. But up in my part of the country we look for prosperity, and lots of it. Business with my road is particularly good and prospects bright. The final settlement of the rate squabble will be a large planning factor in what our future plans will be."

"Our trip was, and is, purely for pleasure. At Jamestown we looked over the historic piles, and all of us enjoyed our stop. We have been greatly impressed with Richmond. It is a large and growing city, and evidences of prosperity are on every hand."

The party slept last night aboard President Underwood's private car, Wawa Tosa, which left Richmond on the early morning train for New York. A rather interesting story was told by Mr. Underwood of his connection with the car. It was named after his native New England village, the village in which his father, who was a clergyman, used to preach.

GIGANTIC INDEX FINISHED AT LAST

All Acts of Assembly Since Revolution Catalogued by Mr. Williams.

After two and a half years of labor, John W. Williams, clerk of the House of Delegates and keeper of the rolls of Virginia, will at some hour this morning complete the gigantic task of indexing the Acts of the Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, from 1776 to 1910. He will to-day turn the completed work over to the printer.

This work was authorized by the Legislature at its session of 1908, and immediately after its adjournment, Clerk Williams began the task. All legislation since the birth of Virginia is a State is catalogued, so that the statements of the present and the archaologist of the future need not err if he desires to discover a piece of history.

The entire work has been one of an exceedingly tedious nature, as day after day the clerk has examined the records, arranged and rearranged them, and it is thankful from the bottom of his heart that the work is ended, and his pride in the completed work is great. When printed the index will make about 600 pages.

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NEW ASSISTANT BANK EXAMINER

Blackstone Man Appointed to Assist Present Field Force.

MINERAL VALUES JUMP

Enormous Increase Under Assessor Stone's Work—Will Ask Clemency.

Finding that with the two men already employed as bank examiners it would be impossible to adequately perform the duties of the new law, the State Corporation Commission yesterday appointed R. L. Harris, of Blackstone, as second assistant bank examiner.

Mr. Harris will enter upon the discharge of his duties on November 15. He comes to the commission highly recommended. For some years past Mr. Harris has been assistant cashier of the Citizens' Bank at Blackstone. He is twenty-seven years of age.

BIG LAND VALUES

Allegheny County District Breaks Record for Increase.

Indicating the character of work done by James A. Stone, Assessor of Mineral Lands, the Clifton District of Allegheny county, shows a larger increase in realty assessment than has any other assessor's district in the state during the new valuations this year.

This record-breaker for gain in values reaches 88.35 per cent, most of it being in larger values on mineral property in Allegheny, which is rich in mineral wealth. For 1910 the total assessed valuation in the district was \$740,047, while for 1911 it will be \$1,394,307. Now, of this gain of \$653,832, \$440,535 comes from increase in mineral values, the former amount under this head having been \$58,337, and the new \$306,932.

There are two other districts in the county, the figures for these not yet being available.

LOOKS BAD FOR NEGROES

Henry County Prisoners Likely to Go to Death Chair.

Appeals will be made this week, perhaps to-day, by W. M. Peyton, counsel for the Henry county negroes who are to die in the electric chair on November 11, to Governor Mann for their lives. Things are looking pretty shaky for the trio. The three men—John Eccles, Thomas Bailey and James Halston—are under sentence of death for the murder of Squire Woods on an excursion train which was on its way through Henry county on March 28 of this year. William Cowan got a penitentiary sentence.

They were first sentenced to be electrocuted on June 17, a respite being granted by the Governor to August 13. Before the latter date arrived a further respite was given to November 11 to await the trial of Piggie Penn, another negro, who had escaped at the time of the killing, but was later captured.

Penn was acquitted, and counsel contends that the evidence was the same in the case of the others. Eccles has made what he calls a confession, saying that he and a negro named Walter Joyce who has never been apprehended, did the actual killing, and that Bailey, Halston and Cowan are innocent. He says that Joyce cut Woods' throat. However, the trial judge and the prosecuting attorney have taken a different view of the matter and have declined to indorse the application for a commutation of sentence.

STARTLING FIGURES

Hotel and Six Acres Pay Seventeen Cents Tax Per Year.

Remarkable increases in assessed valuations are shown in reports made by land assessors to the State Tax Commission. How certain pieces of property got by with the low valuation which was made in 1908 is a mystery. Looking over the report of Dr. Fredman notes that in a certain county in the western part of the State a farm was assessed five years ago at \$372. This year its valuation is placed at \$4,075. There has been no local cause to excuse an extraordinary increase in value.

In a county in the northern part of the State 386 acres were valued five years ago at \$30 an acre. This year the assessment has jumped to \$150 an acre.

Three vacant lots and two brick buildings in a small town, which have not rapidly grown, were valued in 1905 at \$400 for the entire outfit. Now, when the buildings are five years older, they are supposed to be worth \$4,800.

But the champion valuation of all is a small farm in a small county. There a hotel and six acres of land were valued five years ago at \$14, and for the past five years, consequently, have paid a total of 17 cents a year in taxes to the State and county. This year the assessor puts this property at \$1,700, which is supposed to represent 60 per cent of the actual value.

HEARING POSTPONED

The hearing in the case involving the crating of stoves when shipped in less than carload lots has been postponed from November 3 to November 23.

The hearing in the rule case against the White Hall Telephone Company for failure to make a regular report to the State Corporation Commission comes up on November 15.

The rule against the Richmond and Henrico Railway company for the same reason has been dismissed.

DR. HUDSON QUALIFIES

New Medical Inspector of Health Department Taken Office.

Dr. C. C. Hudson, elected by the Board of Health on October 17 as Medical Inspector of the Health Department, to succeed Dr. W. Brownley Foster, resigned, qualified yesterday before City Clerk Ben T. August, and at once assumed the duties of his new position.

Dr. Foster left yesterday for Roanoke, where he has been made Chief Health Officer, the city of Roanoke having recently reorganized and modernized its Health Department and sent to Richmond for a man trained in the lines of modern sanitation and health work. Several tokens of regard were given Dr. Foster by his associates in the Health Department.

\$4 and \$5 Vests, \$1.45

All colors, all sizes, all kinds. Vests broken from suits that sold up to \$35. Choice \$1.45.

Gans-Rady Company

PUBLIC EAGER TO HAVE AVIATORS PERFORM HERE

Thompson's Scheme for Series of Meets in Larger Cities Whets Flying Appetite. Big Thing Suggested.

While no definite contracts have been signed by Frederick Thompson, the New York promoter, with the leading aviators for a series of meetings in the larger cities throughout the country, there was very general interest yesterday in the report that Richmond would be included in the list of flying cities. By common consent it was agreed that the State Fair Grounds would offer an ideal field, which, in some respects, would be far superior to Belmont Park. Directors of the fair expressed the hope that Mr. Thompson was in earnest and that he could carry out his plans, for in that event it would serve to advertise the exhibition, and at which aeroplanes will be put down as the star attractions.

Merchants likewise admitted that a two or three-day aviation meet would bring a large number of people to the city, which would mean business to the trade. If Ralph Johnstone, for instance, should be billed to fly here, thousands of people would eagerly pay top prices to see him perform, because he showed what he could do at the fair and has since captured the world's record for altitude. Almost any aviator of note would draw.

One or two business men went so far as to suggest that they would gladly arrange to secure a purse sufficiently large for a flight over the city, to start and end on the aviation field. To avoid a dash over tall buildings.

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